



ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2021/028

Chrome-plated steel bar

Exported to Australia from Romania

Continuation Inquiry No. 568

Extension of time granted to issue the Statement of Essential Facts and the Final Report

Customs Act 1901 (Cth) – Part XVB

On 2 December 2020, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (Commissioner) published a notice announcing the initiation of an inquiry into whether the continuation of anti-dumping measures in respect of certain chrome-plated steel bar (the goods) exported to Australia from Romania is justified

A full description of the goods is available in Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) No. 2020/137 (the initiation notice) available on the Anti-Dumping Commission's (Commission) website at: www.adcommission.gov.au

The initiation notice advised that the statement of essential facts (SEF) would be placed on the public record by 22 March 2021. The initiation notice also advised that a recommendation to the Minister would be made in a final report on, or before, 6 May 2021.

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted interested parties, delaying the provision of their responses to information requests. It has also affected the ability of Commission staff to undertake verification of information within the usual timeframes.

As a result of the delays associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, I, Paul Sexton, General Manager, Investigations of the Anti-Dumping Commission, requested an extension of the deadline for the Commissioner to publish the SEF and provide his final report and recommendation to the Minister.¹

The Commissioner has, under section 269ZHI(3) of the Act, approved my request to extend the deadline to publish the SEF, and provide the final report and recommendation.²

¹ On 15 December 2016, the Commissioner delegated the power to request extensions of time under section 269ZHI of the *Customs Act 1901 (Cth)* (the Act) to the General Managers of the Anti-Dumping Commission. See section 269SMR of the Act and ADN No. 2017/10 on the Commission's website for further information.

² On 19 January 2017, the power of the Minister to grant extensions of time under section 269ZHI of the Act was delegated to the Commissioner. See section 269TAH of the Act and ADN No. 2017/10 for further information.

The SEF will now be placed on the public record no later than **9 June 2021**.

Interested parties are invited to make submissions to the Commissioner in response to the SEF within 20 days of the SEF being placed on the public record.

A recommendation to the Minister will now be made in a report due on, or before, **30 July 2021**.

The public record for this case is available at: www.adcommission.gov.au

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the Case Manager by email at: investigations4@adcommission.gov.au

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